(3) There are 14 branches and all have been opened for irrigation and are complete except for the construction of certain supply sluices, and excavation of *hikkal* channels or minor distributaries. Such distributaries used to be excavated by raiyats in the case of other channels. But Government as a special case, have sanctioned the excavation of even such minor distributaries at Government cost. Rs. 8,000 have been sanctioned in this case of which Rs. 2,500 have been spent. The area of land for which *hikkals* are not ready, is about 800 acres out of 12,700 acres commanded by the channel.

(4) Regular supplies are being given in the branch channels. Where *hikkals* or minor distributaries are not ready no water is being given.

(5) Crop compensation is being paid to the lands given in exchange to the expropriated raiyats if such lands have been found to be not irrigated due to want of irrigation facilities.

MR. B. NARASINGA RAO, SERINGAPATAM URBAN CONSTITUENCY.—

Q.—23. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

Whether they are aware that—

(1) The question papers of the University Examinations had leaked out many days before the examination.

(2) Who is responsible for this regrettable incident?

(3) Have the Government made any thorough enquiry as to the source from which the question papers became public before the date of the examination?

(4) What precautions do Government propose to take to prevent the recurrence of such unfortunate happening in future?

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—(1) The Government are aware that some of the questions had leaked out before the examination.

(2) and (3) Enquiries have been made and the matter is under consideration.

(4) The conduct of the University Examinations is a matter within the competence of the University. The University authorities have reported that they have arranged to take all possible precautions to prevent a recurrence of such incidents in future.